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**RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE CORRECTED APPLICATION PAPERS**

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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the enclosed Notice to File Corrected Application Papers, enclosed are new formal drawings, sheets 1-10, to replace old drawing sheets 1-9.

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Dated: 2 January 2002

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Applicant believes the application is now in formal status. However, if anything further is required, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned Charles F. Reidelbach, Jr., Esq. at the number given below.

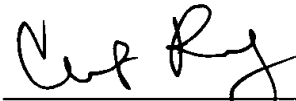
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Respectfully submitted,

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This application has been accorded an Application Number and Filing Date. The application, however, is informal since it does not comply with the regulations for the reason(s) indicated below. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to correct the informalities indicated below. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a)

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